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I would strongly urge the Court to propose breaking up Microsoft into separate companies to insure that it does not continue to monopolize on its stranglehold on the PC market. Microsoft has shown that its behavior will not change even in lieu of recent injunctions or possible penalties.

Forcing Microsoft to break up into two separate companies, one for the operating system only and one for the middleware such as Office and Explorer, would insure that other software and hardware companies have a fighting chance to compete on a fairly level playing field.

I don't think that any other solution would be effective against a company so large and one that dominates a market as much as Microsoft.

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